

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT
LOK SABHA**

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SURVEY ON MINORITIES
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Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has conducted any survey to identify the actual number of eligible beneficiaries belonging to minority communities having family income below double the poverty line;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise;
- (c) if not, whether in the absence of such survey National Minorities Development and Finance Corporation (NMDFC) has not been able to achieve its task/objectives of economic development of the notified minorities;
- (d) if so, the reaction of the Government thereto; and
- (e) the steps taken or proposed to be taken by the Government to address the problems of minorities?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SMT.SUBBULAKSHMI JAGADEESAN)

(a) No Sir,

(b) Does not arise.

(c) (d) & (e) The absence of survey has not affected the activities of National Minorities Development & Finance Corporation for economic empowerment of minorities. It has provided assistance to about 2.95 lakhs beneficiaries through various Schemes.